

II. REMARKS

The foregoing amendment is intended to place the application in better condition for allowance for appeal, and it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

In the Office Action, claims 19-29 and 51-61 have been rejected pursuant to 35 USC Sec. 112. In response, the foregoing amendment is intended to overcome the rejection.

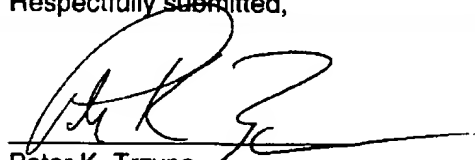
III. Conclusion

The Examiner has graciously provided numerous ways to communicate regarding the instant case, and the Applicant and undersigned are most appreciative. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set out below if it can in any way expedite or facilitate issuance of a patent on the application.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and favorable action

is respectfully requested. Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned at the following address:

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